

scia Mill 150 for Ion Beam Etching (IBE)

The scia Mill 150 is designed for Ion Beam Etching and Milling of single substrates up to 150 mm diameter. Carriers or wafers are loaded via an automatic handling system. Typical applications are the structuring of metal films for MEMS and sensors. The substrate holder has helium backside cooling and can be tilted and rotated.

The scia Mill 150 can be used for Ion Beam Etching (IBE) with inert gases. Additionally the system can be applied for Reactive Ion Beam Etching (RIBE) as well as for Chemically Assisted Ion Beam Etching (CAIBE).

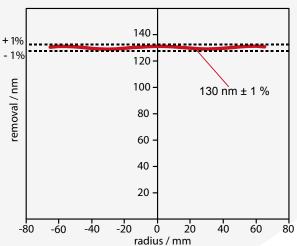
Typical applications are in the field of research and development and low volume production.



- Large area Ion Beam Etching
- IBE with inert gases
- RIBE and CAIBE with reactive gases
- Etching under a defined angle
- Water cooled substrate holder with helium backside cooling contact

Applications

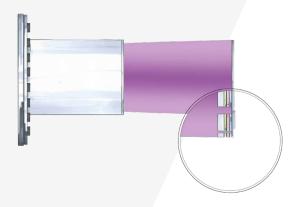
- Structuring of MEMS and sensors
- Structuring of MRAM
- Structuring of metallic and dielectric multilayers
- Ion Beam Smoothing
- Microstructuring
- Reactive etching of III/V Semiconductors (e.g. GaAs, GaN, InP)



lon Beam Etching with Argon on a 150 mm wafer with SiO₂: uniformity variation 1 %, rate 22 nm/min



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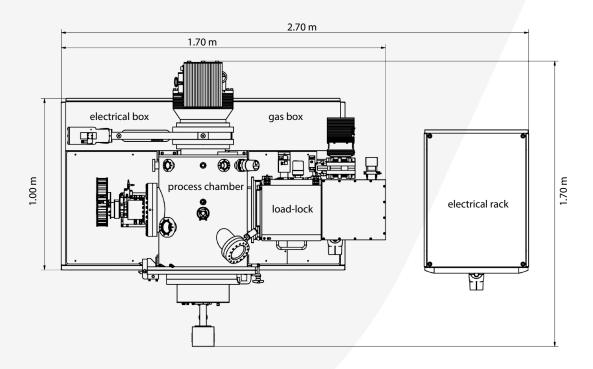


Structuring of multilayers by Ion Beam Etching



Technical Data

Substrate diameter	Up to150 mm
Substrate holder	Water cooled, helium backside cooling contact Substrate rotation 5 to 20 rpm Tiltable in-situ from 0° till 160° in 0.1° steps
Ion beam source	Circular microwave ECR-source MW218-e
Neutralizer	Triple plasma bridge neutralizer N-3DC
Typical removal rate for SiO ₂	≥ 30 nm/min
Uniformity variation	≤ 1 %
Base pressure	< 1 x 10 ⁻⁶ mbar
System dimensions (W x D x H)	1.70 m x 1.70 m x 1.70 m (without electrical rack)
Tool configuration	1 process chamber, 1 load-lock (optional)
Software interfaces	SECS II / GEM



Footprint of scia Mill 150